

TOWN OF UNIONVILLE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The October 19, 2009 regular meeting of the Town of Unionville was held at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall, 1102 Unionville Church Road, Monroe, NC. Mayor Simpson and Commissioners Randy Baucom, Robert Crouch, Ken Brown and Edd Little were present. Commissioner Jim Baucom was absent. Town Attorney Ken Helms was also present.

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag, after which Commissioner Robert Crouch led the prayer of invocation.

Mayor Simpson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

There being no corrections to the minutes of the September 21, 2009 regular meeting, Mayor Simpson declared them approved as reviewed by the Council.

Mayor Simpson recognized Budget and Finance Officer Darrell Baucom, who reviewed the financial reports. A copy of these reports is appended to these minutes. Mr. Baucom referred to the Balance Sheet and noted the balances in the money market account, regular account and certificate of deposit. He reported that the Town is over plan in contributions due to last month's contribution to the Unionville Volunteer Fire Department, and the Town is under plan in legal fees and zoning fees. Overall, the Town is \$7,500 favorable to plan. Mr. Baucom highlighted the largest recent activities, and made mention of the pending bills. Upon motion duly made by Edd Little, seconded by Ken Brown, Council unanimously agreed to pay the pending bills.

Clerk Sonya Gaddy reported that she has certified the sufficiency of the voluntary Annexation Number 17 of Deese Road, Neal Boyce Road and Baucom Deese Road. Mayor Simpson set a public hearing for annexation on Monday, November 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. and a public hearing to apply zoning to the annexation area for the same night at 7:15 p.m.

Mayor Simpson recognized Andrew Benton, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Town of Unionville Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Benton stated that Fire Chief Bill Canupp could not be here tonight. Mr. Benton stated that since the Town was re-chartered in 1998, the Town has shown consistent support of the Volunteer Fire Department. This has allowed them to purchase a new frontline pumper and new brush truck. Due to the economy, other agencies have suffered, but the Town has maintained an excellent level of support for the fire district. Mr. Benton presented Mayor Simpson with a plaque and three pictures of trucks, and thanked the Town Council for their generous support. These pictures and plaque will be hung in Town Hall.

Mayor Simpson recognized John Brewer, Commander of Unionville American Legion Post 535, the first new post in Union County in over 55 years. Mr. Brewer read the preamble to the American Legion constitution. A copy of this is appended to these minutes. He also stated that the Post is made up of thirty-seven members and growing, and they are interested in supporting the community with the first annual Christmas parade prior to the Town's Christmas tree lighting this year. It was determined that 4:00 p.m. would a good start time for the parade. Upon motion duly made by Ken Brown, seconded by Edd Little, Council unanimously agreed to draft a resolution of endorsement of this event. Post members stood and introduced themselves. Post member Gary Wilfong shared his positive views of the Unionville community.

Mayor Simpson called the Council's attention to the November 19, 2009 tax collector's conference and the October 21 and 22, 2009 vacation days the clerk is requesting. The Council agreed with these dates.

Again, Mayor Simpson reminded everyone of the Tenth Annual Christmas tree lighting on Sunday, December 6, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. at Town Hall. This year's musical guests will be the Piedmont High School Women's Ensemble.

In other business, Commissioner Edd Little made inquiry as to the property deed for the Unionville Community Center. Attorney Helms reported that Donnie Lawrence was hired by the Union County School Board to review our work, and Mr. Lawrence supports the Town's position. Mr. Helms will check with Board member Dean Arp as to the status of this situation.

In other business, Tax Collector Sonya Gaddy estimated ad valorem taxes deferred by House Bill 852 of \$108.60. Union County will have a more firm figure after January 1, 2010. A copy of this letter is appended to these minutes.

Mayor Simpson reminded everyone that this year marks Unionville Elementary's sixtieth annual barbecue. Principal Sharyn Voncannon has invited several dignitaries to join them, and he encouraged everyone to attend.

There being no other business, Mayor Simpson declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonya W. Gaddy
Clerk

Approved as to form:

R. Kenneth Helms, Jr., Town Attorney